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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. *(Canceled)*
2. *(Currently Amended)* A method for promoting whole body health in human and other animal subjects having or at risk of developing an oral cavity pathogen-induced systemic disease comprising topically administering to ~~said subjects~~ the oral cavity of subjects in need of treatment thereof, a topical oral composition comprising a ~~safe and effective~~ a pharmaceutically acceptable oral carrier and an amount of a H2-antagonist effective to mediate systemic host reaction to the presence of said pathogens in the subject's oral cavity and to decrease risk factors for said systemic disease ~~and a pharmaceutically acceptable oral carrier, wherein said host response modulating agent is a H2-antagonist.~~
3. *(Original)* A method for promoting whole body health in human and other animal subjects according to Claim 2, wherein said composition is in a form selected from the group consisting of a mouthrinse, toothpaste, tooth gel, tooth powder, non-abrasive gel, chewing gum, mouth spray, lozenge, dental implement, and a pet care product.
4. *(Original)* A method for promoting whole body health in human and other animal subjects according to Claim 2, wherein said H-2 antagonist is selected from the group consisting of cimetidine, etintidine, ranitidine, ICIA-5165, tiotidine, ORF-17578, lupitidine, donetidine, famotidine, roxatidine, pifatidine, lamtidine, BL-6548, BMY-25271, zaltidine, nizatidine, mifentidine, BMY-25368 (SKF-94482), BL-6341A, ICI-162846, ramixotidine, Wy-45727, SR-58042, BMY-25405, loxtidine, DA-4634,

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bisfentidine, sufotidine, ebrotidine, HE-30-256, D-16637, FRG-8813, FRG-8701, impromidine, L-643728, HB-408, and mixtures thereof.

5. *(Canceled)*

6. *(Canceled)*

7. *(Original)* A method for promoting whole body health in human and other animal subjects according to Claim 2, wherein said composition topically administered to said subjects comprises an additional therapeutic active selected from the group consisting of antimicrobial/antiplaque agents, biofilm inhibiting agents, antibiotics; analgesics and local anesthetic agents; dentinal desensitizing agents; odor masking agents; and mixtures thereof.